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Volunteers Needed to Build Living Shoreline in Mobile Bay April 6, 2013 · Pelican Point, Baldwin County, Alabama

WHO: 100-1000: Restore Coastal Alabama

WHAT: The second major volunteer reef building event for the 100-1000:

Restore Coastal Alabama partnership is happening on April 6, 2013. Volunteers are needed to build the next 4 reefs. To date, combined efforts and funding have resulted in 2.07 miles toward the goal of building 100 miles of reefs and protecting and restoring 1000 acres of

coastal marsh and seagrass.

This habitat restoration project offers citizens an excellent opportunity

to actively engage in Gulf Coast restoration.

WHERE: Pelican Point, Baldwin County, Alabama, northern tip of Weeks Bay.

10299 County Road 1, Fairhope, AL 36535

WHEN: Saturday, April 6, 2013 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 pm CST.

WHY: Volunteers will deploy 20,500 interlocking blocks to create four reefs

at Pelican Point, an area that has experienced significant habitat loss and erosion that in turn has negatively impacted the very resources that draw residents to the area and support local economies. Once constructed, the reefs will protect the adjacent shoreline and enhance habitat for fish, shellfish and birds, providing opportunities for fishing,

bird watching and sightseeing from land, kayak or boat.

Funding for this project is made possible through grants from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Southeast Aquatic Resources Partnership and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.











About 100-1000: Restore Coastal Alabama

In 2010, four leading conservation organizations — <u>Alabama Coastal Foundation</u>, <u>Mobile Baykeeper</u>, <u>The Nature Conservancy</u> and <u>The Ocean Foundation</u> — formed a partnership to address not only the environmental impacts of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, but also years of damage from pollution, storms, development practices and erosion along the Alabama coast. The Partnership has grown to include 40 partners and supporting members.

** VISUALS AND INTERVIEW OPPORTUNTIES **

Volunteers building oyster reefs/living shorelines

Interviews with 100-1000 partners, as well as volunteers, agencies and businesses

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